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**CERCLA 104(e) INFORMATION REQUEST**

**URGENT LEGAL MATTER: PROMPT REPLY REQUESTED**

**VIA CERTIFIED MAIL#7011 0110 0001 3590 3086**

Mr. Mearl McBee  
Registered Agent  
Parker Oaks Airport, L.P.  
4011 Benbrook Highway, Suite B  
Fort Worth, Texas 76116

Re: Circle Court Ground Water Superfund Site, Willow Park, Parker County, Texas,  
SSID # A6V7

Dear Mr. McBee:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) seeks cooperation from the Parker Oaks Airport L.P., a Texas corporation with headquarters in Fort Worth, Texas, in providing information and documents relating to the Circle Court Ground Water Superfund Site (Site). Obtained information will aid the EPA in its investigation of the release or threat of release of certain hazardous substances, pollutants or contaminants at this Site. The Parker Oaks Airport L.P., response will also help the EPA develop a better understanding of activities that occurred at the Site.

This information request is not a determination that your company is responsible or potentially responsible for contamination that occurred at the Site. The EPA is sending this letter as part of its investigation of the Site and does not expect your company to pay for or perform any site-related activities at this time. If the EPA determines that your company is responsible or potentially responsible for response activities at the Site, your company will receive a separate letter clearly stating such a determination as well as the basis the EPA has for the determination.

The Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) Section 104(e), 42 U.S.C. § 9604(e), gives the EPA the authority to require the Parker Oaks Airport L.P., to respond to this information request (see Enclosure 1). We encourage your company to give this matter its full attention, and ***we request the Parker Oaks Airport L.P. respond to this request for information within thirty (30) days of its receipt of this letter.*** You may designate another official of Parker Oaks Airport L.P. with the requisite authority to respond on behalf of the company. However, **failure to respond to this information request may result in the EPA seeking penalties of up to \$37,500 per day of violation.** In addition, furnishing false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations is subject to criminal penalty under 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

Please provide a written response to Mr. Lance Nixon, Enforcement Officer, at the address included in the Information Request. Please refer to the enclosures below, which include important instructions and definitions, as well as the questions for response, in the preparation of your reply to this Information Request.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, contact Mr. Nixon at (214) 665-2203. For legal questions concerning this letter, please have your legal counsel contact Ms. I-Jung Chiang, site attorney, at (214) 665-2160. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

*J. Chris Petersen*  
for Wren Stenger, Associate Director  
Technical and Enforcement Branch  
Superfund Division

Enclosures (3)

**ENCLOSURE 1**

**CIRCLE COURT GROUND WATER SUPERFUND SITE  
INFORMATION REQUEST**

**RESPONSE TO INFORMATION REQUEST**

Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), commonly known as the federal "Superfund" law, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) responds to the release or threat of release of hazardous substances, pollutants or contaminants into the environment to stop additional contamination and to clean-up or otherwise address any prior contamination.

EPA is requesting information under its CERCLA Section 104(e) authority. Section 104(e) may be found in the United States Code (U.S.C.) at Title 42 Section (section is denoted by the symbol "§") 9604(e). 42 U.S.C. §9604(e).

Pursuant to the authority of CERCLA §104(e), you are hereby requested to respond to the enclosed information request. If you have any questions concerning the Site's history or this information request letter, please contact Mr. Lance Nixon, the designated Enforcement Officer for the Site, at phone number (214) 665-2203, fax number (214) 665-6660 or via email at [Nixon.lance@epa.gov](mailto:Nixon.lance@epa.gov). Please mail your response within 30 calendar days of your receipt of this request to the following address:

Mr. Lance Nixon, Enforcement Officer  
Superfund Enforcement Assessment Section (6SF-TE)  
U.S. EPA, Region 6  
1445 Ross Avenue  
Dallas, Texas 75202-2733

If you or your attorney has legal questions that pertain to this information letter request, please contact Ms. I-Jung Chiang at phone number (214) 665-2160, fax number (214) 665-6460 or via email at [chiang.i-jung@epa.gov](mailto:chiang.i-jung@epa.gov). For contact via mail, use the following address:

Ms. I-Jung Chiang, Attorney  
Office of Regional Counsel (6RC-S)  
U. S. EPA Region 6  
1445 Ross Avenue  
Dallas, Texas 75202-2733

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The Circle Court Ground Water Site is located at 117 Circle Court, 100 yards north-northwest of the intersection of Circle Drive and Circle Court in Willow Park, Parker County, Texas. It lies south of Interstate 20 and west of FM 5 (Annetta Road) and is 6 miles east of the City of Weatherford. In this rural residential area, single-family residences immediately surround the Site on the south, west and east sides. A 15 acre vacant wooded lot borders the Site on the north. North of the wooded lot, approximately .15 miles, is a truck stop/diner. Lake Weatherford is approximately 1.75 miles north of the Site. The main building of the Parker County Airport is .35 miles northwest of the Site at 3816 E. Interstate 20 in the City of Hudson Oaks, and the nearest point of the north/south-oriented airport runway is .22 miles west of the Site. A lawnmower repair shop is located .28 miles northwest of the Site, and a strip shopping center, which includes a dry cleaner facility and a gas station, is located .21 miles east-northeast of the Site. The Site is designated as contaminated ground water originating from an unknown source. A volatile organic compound (VOC), trichloroethene (TCE), was first detected in concentrations above the EPA maximum contaminant limit (MCL) for drinking water of 5 micrograms per liter (ug/L) in a routine ground water sampling event conducted on March 23, 2006. Trichloroethene is a colorless or blue organic liquid with a chloroform-like odor. The greatest use of trichloroethene is to remove grease from fabricated metal parts and some textiles.

## ENCLOSURE 2

### CIRCLE COURT GROUND WATER SUPERFUND SITE INFORMATION REQUEST

#### INSTRUCTIONS and DEFINITIONS

##### INSTRUCTIONS

1. Please provide a separate narrative response for each and every Question and subpart of a Question set forth in this Information Request.
2. Precede each answer with the Question (or subpart) and the number of the Question (and the letter of a subpart of a Question, if applicable) to which it corresponds.
3. If information or documents not known or not available to you as of the date of submission of a response to this Information Request should later become known or available to you, ***you must supplement*** your response to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Moreover, should you find, at any time, after submission of your response, that any portion of the submitted information is false or misrepresents the truth, or, though correct when made, is no longer true, you must notify the EPA of this fact as soon as possible and provide the EPA with a corrected response.
4. For each document produced in response to this Information Request, indicate on the document, or in some other reasonable manner, the number of the Question (and the letter of a subpart of a Question, if applicable) to which it responds.
5. You may assert a business confidentiality claim covering part or all of the information which you submit in response to this request. Any such claim must be made by placing on (or attaching to) the information, at the time it is submitted to the EPA, a cover sheet or a stamped or typed legend or other suitable form of notice employing language such as "trade secret," "proprietary," or "company confidential." Confidential portions of otherwise non-confidential documents should be clearly identified and may be submitted separately to facilitate identification and handling by the EPA. If you make such a claim, the information covered by that claim will be disclosed by the EPA only to the extent, and by means of the procedures, set forth in subpart B of 40 CFR Part 2. If no such claim accompanies the information when it is received by the EPA, it may be made available to the public by the EPA without further notice to you. The requirements of 40 CFR Part 2 regarding business confidentiality claims were published in the Federal Register on September 1, 1976, and were amended September 8, 1976, and December 18, 1985.
6. Personal Privacy Information. Personnel and medical files, and similar files the disclosure of which to the general public may constitute an invasion of privacy should be segregated from your responses, included on separate sheet(s), and marked as "Personal Privacy Information."
7. Objections to questions. If you have objections to some or all the questions within the Information Request Letter, you are still required to respond to each of the questions.

## **DEFINITIONS**

The following definitions shall apply to the following words as they appear in this enclosure:

1. The terms "and" and "or" shall be construed either disjunctively or conjunctively as necessary to bring within the scope of this Information Request any information which might otherwise be construed to be outside its scope.
2. The term "any", as in "any documents" for example, shall mean "any and all."
3. The term "arrangement" means every separate contract or other agreement between two or more persons.
4. The terms "document(s)" and "documentation" shall mean any object that records, stores, or presents information, and includes writings of any kind, formal or informal, whether or not wholly or partially in handwriting, including by way of illustration and not by way of limitation, any invoice, manifest, bill of lading, receipt, endorsement, check, bank draft, canceled check, deposit slip, withdrawal slip, order, correspondence, record book, minutes, memorandum of telephone and other conversations including meetings, agreements and the like, diary, calendar, desk pad, scrapbook, notebook, bulletin, circular, form, pamphlet, statement, journal, postcard, letter, telegram, telex, telecopy, telefax, report, notice, message, analysis, comparison, graph, chart, map, interoffice or intra office communications, photostat or other copy of any documents, microfilm or other film record, any photograph, sound recording on any type of device, any punch card, disc pack; any tape or other type of memory generally associated with computers and data processing (together with the programming instructions and other written material necessary to use such punch card, disc, or disc pack, tape or other type of memory and together with the printouts of such punch card, disc, or disc pack, tape or other type of memory); and (a) every copy of each document which is not an exact duplicate of a document which is produced, (b) every copy which has any writing, figure or notation, annotation or the like on it, (c) drafts, (d) attachments to or enclosures with any document and (e) every document referred to in any other document.
5. The term "identify" means, with respect to a natural person, to set forth the person's name, present or last known business and personal addresses, email address(es), and telephone numbers, and present or last known job title, position or business. Also provide e-mail addresses.
6. The term "identify" means, with respect to a corporation, partnership, business trust or other association or business entity (including, but not limited to, a sole proprietorship), to set forth its full name, address, and legal form (e.g. corporation [including state of incorporation], partnership, etc.), organization, if any, a brief description of its business, and to indicate whether or not it is still in existence and, if it is no longer in existence, to explain how its existence was terminated and to indicate the date on which it ceased to exist. Also provide e-mail addresses.

7. The term "identify" means, with respect to a document, to provide the type of document, to provide its customary business description, its date, its number, if any (invoice or purchase order number), subject matter, the identity of the author, addressor, addressee and/or recipient, and the present location of such document.
8. The term "person" shall have the same definition as in Subsection 101 (21) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. § 9601 (21).
9. The term "Site" shall mean and include the Circle Court Ground Water Superfund Site located in Willow Park, Parker County, Texas, both before and after the EPA response action under CERCLA.
10. The term "you" or "Respondent" shall mean the addressee of this Request, the addressee's officers, managers, employees, contractors, trustees, partners, successors and agents.
11. Words in the masculine shall be construed in the feminine, and vice versa, and words in the singular shall be construed in the plural, and vice versa, where appropriate in the context of a particular question or questions as necessary to bring within the scope of this Information Request any information which might otherwise be construed to be outside its scope.
12. All terms not defined herein shall have their ordinary meaning, unless such terms are defined in CERCLA, RCRA, 40 CFR Part 300 or 40 CFR Parts 260-280, in which case the statutory or regulatory definitions shall apply.

### ENCLOSURE 3

## CIRCLE COURT GROUND WATER SUPERFUND SITE INFORMATION REQUEST

### QUESTIONS

1. Please provide the full legal name, mailing address, and phone number of the Respondent.
2. For each person answering these questions on behalf of the Respondent, provide full name, title, business address, and business telephone and fax number.
3. If the respondent wishes to designate an individual for all future correspondence concerning this Site, including legal notices, please provide the individual's name, address, telephone number, and fax number.
4. Please provide the dates of ownership and ownership documents of Parker County Airport.
5. Please provide the names of any previous owners and/or operators of Parker County Airport.
6. Describe the business relationship between Parker County Airport Hangers Association, Parker Oaks Airport GP, L.L.C, Parker Oaks Airport, L.P., and Parker County Airport.
7. Were any facilities provided, leased, or rented to any entity for the purposes of aircraft maintenance or any other type of maintenance? If yes, please provide the names of the businesses that conducted maintenance at the airport and copies of any lease or rental agreements.
8. Provide any documents or records detailing aircraft and/or aircraft maintenance activities at Parker County Airport.
9. Describe the nature of your activities or business at the Site, with respect to purchasing, receiving, processing, storing, treating, disposing, or otherwise handling of trichloroethene, or solvents or cleaning agents containing trichloroethene at the Site.
10. Identify all leaks, spills, or releases into the environment of any hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants that occurred at Parker County Airport.
11. If any of the documents solicited in this information request are no longer available, please indicate the reason why they are no longer available. Please also describe your document retention policy and the name and contact information for the person(s) responsible for your document retention.
12. Provide the location of any past or current septic fields present at the airport.